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NAVY-ARMY CUT URGED BY SOVIET DELEGATION

Coal Barons Laud Coolidge Decision; File \$1,000,000 Suit

PENNSYLVANIA COAL BARONS WANT UNION TO PAY COSTS OF THEIR STRIKEBREAKING; SUE FOR MILLION

Supreme Court Decision, Legalizing Evictions, Backs Companies' Damage Suit

Operators Push Drive to Throw Out Miners; Thousands Added to Homeless Army

BULLETIN.

(Special To The DAILY WORKER.)

PITTSBURGH, Nov. 28.—President Coolidge's refusal to interfere in the coal strike is the cause of much rejoicing here on the part of the coal operators. "This means that we are to be allowed to carry on this fight for the open shop to a finish," said a spokesman of the Pittsburgh Terminal Coal Company today, "without any action one way or another by the federal government."

"We feel that this is a real victory for the principle that every American worker has a right to secure employment where and when he pleases and to work under any conditions he sees fit," said this spokesman, an attorney who helped to prepare the draft of the injunction application which legalizes evictions. "The decision of the president," he stated further, "upholds the right of private property by his tacit refusal to interfere in the eviction proceedings now being carried out against the members of the United Mine Workers who occupy company houses but who refuse to accept employment on the company's terms."

(Special To The DAILY WORKER.)

By A. S.

PITTSBURGH, Nov. 28.—Western Pennsylvania coal companies are preparing a million dollar damage suit against the United Mine Workers of America following a decision of the Pennsylvania supreme court upholding the right of the coal operators to evict striking miners.

Thousands to Be Evicted.

The coal companies are pushing their eviction drive at top speed and in the course of the next two or three weeks thousands of miner families will be thrown out of their homes to add to the thousands already evicted since the Pittsburgh coal company first broke the Jacksonville agreement in August, 1925.

Savage Blow.

This is one of the most savage blows ever aimed at a section of the labor movement and the suit is designed to recover "damages" from the union as a result of the continued occupation of houses by miners and their families after the coal companies have ordered them to vacate.

Demand Payment from Victims.

The coal companies are also demanding that the United Mine Workers reimburse them for all expenses incurred in evicting the miners and their families, including wages of the coal and iron police for shooting and blackjacking miners, their wives and children. The union must pay for the costs of the reign of terror established in the mining camps by the armed bands of the coal barons, the companies contend.

In addition to this the coal operators seek to recover damages on the grounds that they have been deprived of the use of their houses and that this interfered with the operation of their mines and curtailed production.

WANTED — MORE READERS! ARE YOU GETTING THEM?

MACHINE GUNS TO KILL MINERS ILLEGALLY USED

Helmets Ordered Shows Massacre Premeditated

DENVER, (FP) Nov. 28.—Developments in the massacre of 5 coal miners at the Columbine mine the morning of Nov. 21 show that machineguns were ordered removed from the mine property 2 days previous and that orders were disregarded and that rangers sent to Denver for steel helmets at midnight before the massacre early in the morning. (Continued on Page Two)

Workers of America Must Get Into Action!
120,000 Coal Miners Are in A Bitter Struggle
To Keep Their Union and Their Living Wage!

WHOSE VICTORY SHALL IT BE?

Millions of Workers Must Cast Millions of Ballots
and Encourage The Coal Miners to Fight On and Win!

SIGN YOUR NAME — CAST YOUR VOTE

VOTE HERE

FOR THE Mine Owners	BALLOT —		FOR THE Mine Workers
Name _____ Street _____ City _____	GIVE HERE Back Up Your Vote With Your Money \$ _____		For Signature of Collector
BALLOT SHEET		MAKE RETURNS TO PENNSYLVANIA-OHIO MINERS RELIEF COMMITTEE 611 Penn Avenue, Room 307 Pittsburgh, Pa.	
No. 729		Amount Enclosed \$ _____	

120,000 Coal Miners Ask "Where Do You Stand?" In Support of Their Struggle Against Starvation

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Nov. 28.—Demanding to know whether you "are for the mine owners or for the mine workers" the Pennsylvania-OHIO Miners Relief Committee has flooded the country with ballots, calling upon millions of workers to cast millions

of votes to back up the coal miners in their fight."

With the slogan of "American Labor Must Declare Itself — Silence Helps the Bosses!" the relief committee hopes to awaken the workers

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General Demands More Strikebreaking Militia Authorized by Congress

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—Increase in the authorized strength of the national guard to 100,000 men, approximately 4,000 more than the present strength, was asked by Major General C. C. Hammond, chief of the militia bureau, in his annual report issued today.

The program recommended also provides for the "organization of 21 headquarters and 78 units during the fiscal years 1929 and 1930." The national guard is the militia of the states used chiefly for strike-breaking.

BURNS GETS HIS CITATION BEFORE CONTEMPT JUDGE

Oil Graft Case Becomes Question of Dignity

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—Personal service was today made on William J. Burns, W. Sherman Burns and Charles L. Veitch, all of the Burns International Detective Agency, requiring them to appear in the district supreme court next Monday and show cause why they should not be adjudged in criminal contempt of court for their alleged part in the trial of Fall and Sinclair.

The contempt ruling arose from the mistrial of the oil conspiracy case of Harry F. Sinclair, New York millionaire, and former Secretary of the Interior Albert B. Fall. The government produced affidavits declaring that Sinclair had engaged the Burns agency to keep "an improper surveillance" over the Fall-Sinclair jury for the purpose of "bringing about a miscarriage if necessary."

Oil Men Called.

Cited with the two Burnses and Veitch are H. Mason Day, of New York and Paris, and Sheldon Clark, of Chicago—who are charged with being "contact men" between their chief and the private detectives.

The contempt trial will convene in Justice Frederick L. Siddons' court a week from today. Approximately 60 witnesses who appeared before the grand jury to testify concerning the jury tampering charges are expected to testify.

Burns' defense is on the technical point of "being twice placed in jeopardy."

Another Charge on Clark.

CHICAGO, Ill., Nov. 28.—Sheldon Clark, vice-president of the Sinclair Oil Company was cited here with a warrant charging contempt of court for failing to appear during the federal investigation of the jury fixing in the Fall-Sinclair oil graft trial.

The trial was for conspiracy to defraud the government out of \$300,000 oil rights at the now famous Teapot Dome oil fields in Wyoming, and the supreme court in the civil suit for recovery of the fields has already ruled that gross fraud was practised. Fall was secretary of the interior at the time the lease was granted to Sinclair, and personally issued it.

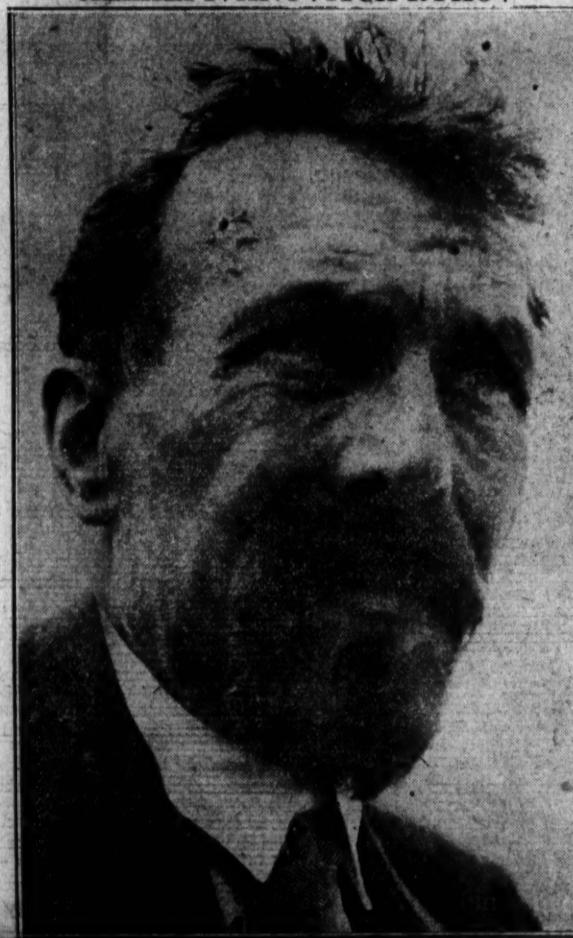
Resumption of Trade With Soviet Russia, Recommends Ivy Lee

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Nov. 28.—Ivy Lee, public relations advisor to numerous American corporations and banking houses including the Standard Oil Co., advocated the resumption of trade relations with Soviet Russia in an address before the opening session of the fifth annual session of the Philadelphia Foreign Policy Association, yesterday.

"There are unlimited opportunities for the extension of American business in Russia," he declared. Lee, who has recently returned from a tour of Russia, has written a book, "Russia, Poland As Enigma," in which he strongly advocates trade relations with the Soviet Union.

The Standard Oil of New York has been driven by need of raw materials for Eastern competition to make a contract with the U. S. S. R. Its opponent, the Royal Dutch Shell is horrified.

ALEXEI IVANOVITCH RYKOV



Rykov is president of the Council of People's Commissars of the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics. The delegation of Soviet Russia to the Geneva conference will report back to the Council of People's Commissars.

SEE MOVE BY GREAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE TO BALK DISCUSSION OF DISARMAMENT AT GENEVA PARLEY

Pravda Reminds Imperialist Powers That Soviet Government Exposed Secret Treaties

Lithuanian "Revolt" Rumors Show That Polish Rulers Intrigue for Conquest

GENEVA, Nov. 28.—When the Preparatory Commission Disarmament conference opens Wednesday, the Soviet delegation, headed by Maxim Litvinoff, will offer a program of complete disarmament.

Altho France and Great Britain are expected to make every effort to confine the discussion at the conference to the question of "security," the Soviet delegation, aided by the German delegation, will attempt to force the powers to face the disarming question.

The Soviet Union will come out unequivocally for immediate disarmament. The Soviet Union's position is clearly stated in an editorial which recently appeared in the Moscow Pravda which declares:

Stress Desire For Peace.

"The Soviet delegation will go to Geneva not because the Soviet government has changed its position on the Geneva 'talking club,' but because it wishes again to stress its peace-loving policy. The Soviet Union will be in a position in Geneva to prove by indisputable facts those who really wish to disarm and those who are irreconcilably opposed to it."

"The Soviet Union will remind the assembly that the Soviet government repudiated the predatory treaties of tsarist Russia, will remind them of Genoa, the Moscow disarmament conference of 1922, the Economic Conference at Geneva in May, 1927, a whole series of guarantees of peace, etc."

Ask Protection.

The Soviet delegation which arrived here the day before yesterday has insisted that the Swiss government guarantee it adequate police protection against the possibility of another murder such as that of the assassination of Vorovsky, Soviet delegate to the Lusanne conference.

Blame Poland.

BERLIN, Nov. 28.—Premier Walde-maras of Lithuania in a telegram again charged that Poland was using Lithuanian emigres to foment a Polish revolt in Lithuania. The protest was made to Sir Eric Drummond, secretary-general of the League of Nations.

Lithuania, he declared, did not relinquish its claim to Vilna.

Report Martial Law.

The situation in Lithuania is still tense, according to reports from Kovno. Despatches declare that the country had been virtually placed under martial law by Premier Walde-maras.

Officers in the Lithuanian army have pledged to defend Lithuania from Polish aggression, according to a Wolff despatch from Kovno.

Latest Rumor That Czar Over Filipino Will Be Big Banker

Greco-Carrillo Case Branded As Fascist Plot at Meet Here

Washington, D. C., Nov. 28.—

The latest of many rumors which have intrigued political circles as to the future governor general of the Philippines is that none of the men mentioned will be selected but that Coolidge will do something like what he did in the case of the Ambassador to Mexico, pick out a banker or big industrialist so powerful and reactionary that he will be attracted. Great secret exists when he says he hopes to have Greco and Carrillo in the death house at Sing Sing prison by Christmas, when as Judge Thayer was in earnest when he swore Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti would be executed. Only the organized strength of labor can save Greco and Carrillo.

Communist organizations throughout the world, the International Red Aid in Europe and South America, will demonstrate and strike unless Greco and Carrillo are liberated and returned to the working class." William W. Weinstein, organizer of the New York district of the Workers (Communist) Party, said. "District Attorney McGeehan is in dead earnest when he says he hopes to have Greco and Carrillo in the death house at Sing Sing prison by Christmas, when as Judge Thayer was in earnest when he swore Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti would be executed. Only the organized strength of labor can save Greco and Carrillo."

Several speakers said the case of Greco and Carrillo, who go on trial Dec. 5 in the Bronx, charged with killing two fascists last December, was part of a movement of "Italian fascism and American capitalism to terrorize the labor movement in this country."

Reckon Without Labor.

"If the capitalist class," said Robert Minor, editor of The DAILY WORKER, "thinks it can carry out another Sacco-Vanzetti murder it will be reckoning without the mass of workers in America and the rest of the world. The movement to save Greco and Carrillo will be larger, if necessary, than the Sacco-Vanzetti liberation campaign."

Minor also pointed out that in

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Senator Capper's Way Of Helping Farmer Is To Raise Tariff Rate

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 28.—

Senator Capper, of Kansas, "gentleman farmer and owner of a publishing house which puts out technical farm journals, has appealed for an increase of the duty on grain by fifty per cent, under the "flexible tariff clause" which gives the president the right to make such an increase.

The present import duty is 15 cents a bushel, and the increase would be 22 and one-half cents.

Capper argues: "The imports from Argentina have grown from 724,167 bushels in 1926 to 3,500,000 this year. I think the huge sum of money required to buy this grain should have been spent with the producers in the United States."

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WEALTHY RAPIST STILL IN.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—The Supreme Court today dismissed the appeal of Arthur Rich, youthful scion of a wealthy Michigan family, now serving a life sentence in prison after conviction of attack upon Louis King, Battle Creek co-ed. The court held that no federal question was involved in the case. The rich young man will now ask the governor for a pardon.

Two Trainmen Killed When Economy Program Cuts Out Switchmen

PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, Wis., Nov. 28.—Three trainmen were probably fatally injured here today when two railway freight engines and twenty box cars left the rails and piled up in a ditch.

The train, on the Minneapolis-St. Paul branch of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad, northbound, struck an open switch. The road has been cutting down its staff, and there are not enough switchmen.

ATLANTIC FLIGHT FLOPS.

LONDON, Nov. 28.—Another unsuccessful attempt to take off across the Atlantic to Newfoundland was made today by the Junkers Plane D-1230, according to western union advices from the station at Horta, the Azores.

BUILD THE DAILY WORKER!

FORTY DELEGATES FROM UNIONS AT JOBLESS MEETING

Cleveland Conference Builds Co-operation

CLEVELAND, OHIO, Nov. 28.—The Relief Conference, called by the Cleveland Unemployed Council to initiate immediate steps for relief of the 96,000 unemployed workers here, met tonight with 40 delegates from unions and fraternal organizations present. John Foley, secretary of the Unemployed Council, stated that over 7,000 workers, were represented.

A permanent Executive Committee of eleven, giving representation to the unemployed and to employed union labor was elected. Through the conference the necessity of the closest cooperation between the unemployed and the organizations of workers who are fortunate enough to still have a job was stressed.

Visit Federation.

Committees were elected to visit the Cleveland Federation of Labor to enlist the support of those unions not represented at the Conference, and to call on the Community Fund for relief. Little help is expected from this last source however, in view of the past actions of the Fund in turning down appeals for assistance of unemployed workers.

Frame-Up.

The City Council has previously flatly turned down the demands of the unemployed, and thru the police has tried to break up the Unemployed Council, thru the arrest of a framed up charge of vagrancy, of Joe Judson, local leader of the unemployed. At the last City Council meeting seven members of the Unemployed Council were arrested and ejected from the Council Chambers for raising their voices against the police ban on meetings of the organization and the frame-up of Judson.

The Conference called a mass meeting for Sunday, November 27, at Moose Hall to protest the frame-up of Judson and his sentence of 30 days on a vagrancy charge. The police ban on meetings of the Unemployed Council was hastily withdrawn after the militant demonstration against the denial of free speech at the last City Council meeting.

DONATION FROM MUTUAL AID.
CLEVELAND, Ohio, Nov. 28.—The Russian National Mutual Aid Society Branch No. 2 sends The DAILY WORKER a check for \$8.55, one-third proceeds of a party.

Books On Strikes

In Colorado—

THE miners are at grips with the bosses. This is only another of many great fights of American Labor. There is inspiring reading in all these books that will show you the glorious fighting tradition of American workers:

AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF MOTHER JONES—(Who has witnessed the great struggle of the past 50 years and has been the picket fighter of the Colorado miners.) Cloth \$2.00

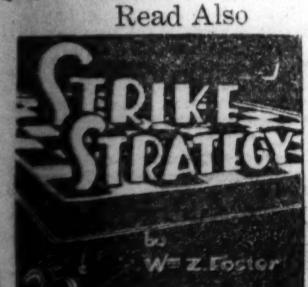
THE GREAT STEEL STRIKE—By Wm. Z. Foster Cloth \$2.00
PASSAIC—By Albert Weisbord .15

THE PASSAIC TEXTILE STRIKE—By May Heaton Vorse .35
GOVERNMENT, STRIKE-BREAKER—By Jay Lovestone Paper .30 Cloth .60

In England

THE BRITISH STRIKE—By Wm. F. Dunn .10
THE GENERAL STRIKE AND GENERAL BETRAYAL—By John Pepper .25
MEANING OF THE GENERAL STRIKE—By H. Palme Dutt .10
RED & THE GENERAL STRIKE—By C. B. .05

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COLORADO MILITIA TAKES OVER MINERS' COTTAGES



Scene as Colorado militiamen take quarters in miners' cottages at Erie, Colo., north of Denver, following the killing of six pickets by state troopers and Columbine mine guards.

Machine Guns to Kill Colorado Pickets

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sational developments are expected hourly as investigation of the shooting of the miners by state police progresses.

Little was expected from the coroner's jury investigation of the massacre because the inquest was held in a farming community near the coal region and because essential facts are not yet available. However, workers have hopes that facts will develop in time to prevent prosecution of Adam Bell, leader who was beaten almost to death, and others.

Students Visit War Zone.

Facing college boys in the militia, a caravan of a score of other college students went to the coal fields Wednesday night to express solidarity with the strikers carrying banners reading: "Not All College Men Are Scabs," "Solidarity, Students and Strikers!" "Not All College Girls Are Scabs," "Stick, Miners! Students Are With You."

Carry on Strike.

Attempting to stir up trouble among southern miners incensed by the massacre in northern fields Trooper R. R. Maiden threatened the strike committee Tuesday, saying, "If you folks want trouble you will get plenty of it." Under Wobbly directions miners are holding firmly to peaceful carrying on of strike, staying out of the mines and keeping out of trouble. It is not believed possible to arouse men, except by another massacre.

Nine days before the massacre, industrial commissioner Annear said this was the most peaceful strike in history of the state, but after the killings he asked a gold medal for Trooper Scherf, who commanded the killers.

By FRANK PALMER.

LAFAYETTE, Colo., (FP) Nov. 28.—The coroners jury called to fix the blame for the massacre of striking miners at the Columbine mine of the Rocky Mountain Fuel Co. brought in a verdict, which declared that state police had killed the miners, "said death not being felonious."

This was expected by those who knew the situation. Strike leaders realized before the hearing that the matter was not to be settled there and that the purpose of the strikers' counsel should be to prevent a verdict holding some of the jailed strike leaders responsible. The jury did not blame strikers for the riot as charged in the capitalist press.

Murder Premeditated.
The district attorney is reported undecided as to future action in the matter, but he may be forced to bring charges against the strike leaders. This is not expected to be successful. Rumors persist that sensational developments impend which will definitely place responsibility where it belongs.

Meantime independent investigations are slowly bringing to light

Evicted Miner's Family Near Martins Ferry, Ohio



such facts as that the governor ordered the machine-guns removed from the mine property on the Saturday before the massacre, but the rangers disobeyed and that the rangers sent for their helmets at midnight before the killing. Both facts support the charge of a frame-up freely made by strikers.

Miners' Unarmed.
The inquest was featured by a strong indictment of methods used, made by Guy Duncan, Civil Liberties Union attorney, representing families of slain. The district attorney offered to throw Duncan out of the room, but he stood his ground for a square deal. It is believed that, but for his action, the verdict might have been worse.

Even in their own stories the rangers only claimed 4 bullets were fired over the heads of strikers and abandoned the story of finding nitroglycerine on strikers. Pickets were searched every day, including Monday, before going to the mine and could not have had guns, but where the bullets came from is a matter yet to be settled and is expected to be part of later developments.

Not All Scabs.
The whole state feels the matter yet entirely a mystery which must be cleared up. Newspapers have been asking sympathy for militiamen because "college boys face strikers" Wednesday night college boys and girls stepped out in front of the strikers to face militiamen for them, when a dozen attended a meeting at Lafayette and pledged their support even to going to jail for the miners.

REPRESSA, Cal., Nov. 28.—Six of the prisoners driven to revolt in Folsom Prison here by the harsh regime of Warden Court Smith will go on trial for murder in the first degree, states the district attorney of Sacramento county. In spite of the fact that the mutiny took place only when life became unbearable from poor food, the dark cell, punishment by fumes of chloride of lime, and overwork in the prison rock quarry, the prisoners are to be held guilty if the district attorney has his way. The fact that the prisoners killed only in self defense, killed one guard and lost ten of their own number, as well as thirty wounded from the rifles and machine guns of the state militia and deputies, is not taken into account by the prosecuting attorney.

CALIFORNIA STATE MILITIA KILLING FOLSOM PRISONERS



GAG FOR REMUS WHEN GRAFT IS TOUCHED UPON

Judge's Ruling to Hide Prohibition Scandal

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Nov. 28.—The ruling of trial judge Shock in the Remus murder case here today, that no evidence relating to the conspiracy Remus charges against the prohibition agent Dodge and his wife can be admitted at present is said by observers here to indicate the formula of the court and the prosecution by which the former "bootleg king" will be prevented from making any revelations of government graft.

When Remus was first arrested for the murder of his wife he threatened to rock the prohibition services from top to bottom by telling all about the bootleg graft if he were placed on trial.

His plea of temporary insanity was relied as a means of presenting some of this, since he charges that the conspiracy between his wife and Prohibition Agent Dodge to steal his money from him was the cause of that insanity.

Can't Tell It.

But when Franklin Edwards Shaw a race-track timer began to tell of relations he had noticed between Mrs. Remus and Dodge, the state objected and was sustained.

"You must show independent testimony of a diseased mind before you can get into these things which you claim caused the insanity," said Judge Shock to the defense.

Appeal to Race Hate.

Counsel for Mrs. Lilliendahl and Beach have fallen back on the story, once admitted by Mrs. Lilliendahl to be false, that the murder of her husband was committed by two Negroes.

When Dr. Lilliendahl was riding with his wife in a lonely place in the woods, he was shot dead, but not robbed. His widow immediately set foot on the "Negro" story, which caused lynch mobs to circle over the state looking for victims. Certain very suspicious circumstances throwing doubt on her own relations with her husband and with the rich poultry raiser, Beach, came to light in the general investigation, and finally, under question she broke down and admitted the Negro murderers' tale was fiction.

Signal to K. K. K.

Indictments for herself and Beach on murder charges resulted.

But the attorneys for the defense, in their opening statements declared they would "not only bring evidence to show the defendants were innocent but evidence pointing out the guilty Negroes." And rumor says the K. K. K. lynchers are waiting the signal to go.

Workers Party Asks for Fight on Injunction

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ing relief or appealing court cases, cases to evict miners from their homes.

The Transit Workers.

Another case considered in this leaflet is the attempt of the Interboro Rapid Transit Co. of New York to prevent by injunction any member of the American Federation of Labor from talking organization to any member of its employees.

The leaflet calls especial attention to the fact that both republicans and democrats are involved in the present persecution of workers.

The supreme court, with its reactionary decisions, stands at the head of a bipartisan legal hierarchy. The Democrat Palmer, the Republican Daugherty, the Progressive-Democrat Adams of Colorado and the admitted Reactionary Republican Fisher of Pennsylvania alike attack the lives and liberties of the workers.

What To Do.

The leaflet closes with an appeal to workers to join the Workers (Communist) Party, 43 East 125th St., New York City, and to

"Hurl back the concerted anti-injunction drive."

"Disregard, disobey, break every injunction, tear every injunction edict to pieces. Treat every injunction as a scrap of paper."

"Build a powerful labor party to help fight the battles of the workers against the exploiters."

Workers Library Will Handle "International Press Correspondence"

Thru arrangements just concluded

by cable the Workers Library Publishers of New York become sole

American distributors of the English

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well, which are made at the rate of

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The current issue of the INPRE-

COR features articles by Stalin and

Bucharin and of special value is the

first speech made by Lenin after the

October uprising of the Bolsheviks

in 1917. This issue, as do all others,

includes valuable information on the

main features of the Labor movement

in England, France, Norway and

other countries including the United

States.

Would Lynch Negroes To Gain Acquittal



MRS. LILLIENDAHL.

Lilliendahl Case Resurrects Lie of "Negro Murderers"

MAYS LANDING, N. J., Nov. 28.—Willis Beach, alleged clandestine lover of Mrs. Margaret Lilliendahl with whom he is jointly accused of murdering the woman's husband, admitted the murder on the day a warrant was sworn out for his arrest, the jury was told here today.

Beach, a poultry raiser and neighbor of the Lilliendahts, confessed to a friend that he had slain Doctor Lilliendahl, the prosecutor asserted "he was trying to raise funds for his defense when he went to his friend with the admission."

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Justifies Nicaragua Crimes.

The story in the Hearst papers yesterday morning declares that the publication of the fraudulent document called a "provisional secret treaty" between Calles and Sacasa "proves the present military intervention by the United States in Nicaragua to have been unavoidable, if the interests of the American people were to be protected."

These interests are the right to build a second canal from the Atlantic to the Pacific as a part of the general imperialist policy of the United States and for the specific purpose of establishing new and stronger naval and military bases for further attack against the Latin American republics.

Hearst tries to create the impression that the voracious hawk of American imperialism is in reality a dove of peace.

Should Defend Nicaragua.

If it were not for the crude manner in which the alleged secret documents were forged, the falsery of the Hearst papers would not be so evident. Certainly the Mexican government, as a defensive measure to combat imperialist conspiracies directed against its own sovereignty, ought to take the leading role in endeavoring to rally the Latin American nations against the murderous rapacity of Yankee tyranny and it would have been fully justified had it placed all possible resources at the command of the liberal forces of Sarcasa who were trying to repel the invading forces of Wall Street despotism.

So, even though the Mexicans had defended the liberal forces in Nicaragua, it would only be fulfilling its historical mission as the leading nation of the Latin American group.

No amount of cheap publicity and hysterical fakey based upon forged documents can erase from the minds of the masses of Latin America the knowledge of the base motives that impel the United States toward the attempted subjugation of their countries and the destruction of the last vestiges of national independence.

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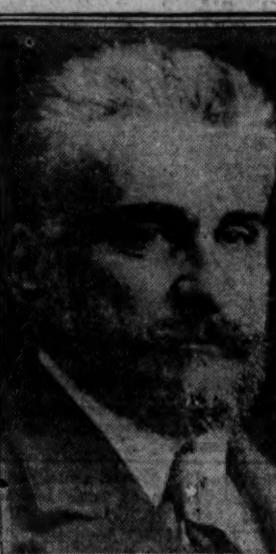
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Foreign News --- By Cable and Mail from Special Correspondents

Rumanian Dictator



WAGES SLASHED LOWER; PRICES SOAR IN ITALY

Fascist Militia Used in Textile Strikes

GENEVA, Nov. 28.—With retail prices soaring and wage cuts decreed in factories throughout Italy, unrest among Italian workers is becoming more and more marked.

Altho news about labor unrest has been completely deleted from Italian newspapers, a number of large strikes against the wage cuts have already taken place—most of them smashed by wholesale arrests of leaders and by threats to call in the Fascist troops.

Textile Strikes

Vintila Bratianu succeeds his brother as virtual dictator of Rumania. His brother, Don Bratianu, who died last week, was buried Sunday.

CANTON WAR LORD JAILS STRIKERS TO AID BRITISH

CANTON, Nov. 28.—A strike of shipworkers against British employers was smashed yesterday by the so-called "labor" government set up here by Chang Fak-wei, who ordered the arrest and the imprisonment of large numbers of strikers. Labor leaders were put under military guard.

The strike took the form of an anti-government demonstration when food supplies were cut off at the order of the authorities.

Li Chai-sum, former dictator of Canton, ousted by Chang Fak-wei on November 17th, is attempting to regain control of the city and several thousand of his troops are moving toward Canton from Samshui about forty miles west.

Discuss Unemployment And Coal Situations In Commons Wednesday

LONDON, Nov. 28.—The unemployment situation will come up for debate in the House of Commons Wednesday after the completion of the committee stage of the Unemployment insurance bill Tuesday.

The vote of censure on Baldwin's handling of the coal situation will also come up on Wednesday. At the last debate of the coal situation Baldwin refused to speak leaving the defense of the Tory position to Sir Clement Attlee.

Jail Sixteen Indian Seamen for Refusing To Sail to America

LONDON, Nov. 28.—Sixteen East Indian sailors were sentenced to a month in jail for refusing to sail to America. The sailors did not learn that the British vessel Saverie was sailing to the vessel of the United States until after they had signed papers.

When the foreman of the sailors demanded that he be sent to jail with the men, he was ejected from the court. The sailors declared that they could not stand the climate of the United States.

Lenin Said:-

"Politics is a science and an art that did not come down from Heaven and is not acquired gratis. If the proletariat wishes to defeat the bourgeoisie, it must train from among its ranks its own proletarian class politicians who should not be inferior to the bourgeois politicians."

And he proceeded to organize the Bolshevik Party of Russia without which the Russian Revolution would have been impossible.

We must organize a strong party in this country that will be able to organize and lead the masses.

The Workers (Communist) Party asks you to join and help in the fight for:

A Labor Party and a United Labor Ticket in the 1928 elections. The defense of the Soviet Union and against capitalist wars. The organization of the unorganized. Making existing unions organize a militant struggle. The protection of the foreign born.

Application for Membership in Workers (Communist) Party
(Fill out this blank and mail to Workers Party, 43 E. 125th St., N. Y. City)

Name _____

Address _____ No. _____ St. _____ City _____ State _____

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(Enclosed find one dollar for initiation fee and one month's dues.)

MOSCOW CELEBRATES THE TENTH ANNIVERSARY



More than a million workers participated in the giant parade on November 7th in honor of the tenth anniversary of the Bolshevik revolution.

Top picture (from left to right) shows Kameniev, Kalinin, president of the Executive Committee of the USSR; Voroshilov, Commissar of War; Unschlief and Budenny, cavalry leader. Lower picture, shows the parade of the Red Army in the Red Square.

The Opposition and the Rank and File

By ALEXANDRA KOLLONTAI.

Marching Miners Return Home After Voting Trek To London Huge Success

THE lower down the Party ladder, the nearer to the rank and file members of the Party, the more definite and pronounced is the negative attitude to the opposition.

This is a characteristic phenomenon. Hostility and bitter resentment prevail among the Party rank and file in regard to the opposition. To explain this phenomenon by saying that the apparatus "is keeping a tight hold" on the rank and file, that its true voice is being stifled, as is said by the opposition, is utterly impossible because to mention just one reason—the resentment against the opposition is a mass character.

Since this is so, one must go deeper to find the roots which are the mentality and the mood of the masses.

In the Party as a whole, as well as in every nucleus, this or that mentality prevails whenever a definite situation has arisen. No matter how strong the apparatus at the head of the Party or nucleus, if there be disunity between the policy and the working of the apparatus and the mood prevailing among the majority, this disunity will show itself by the way the rank and file reacts to this phenomenon.

The bitterness, hostility and resentment shown by the rank and file of the Party in regard to the speeches and actions of the opposition are the outcome of a definite mental and spiritual growth among this rank and file, a growth in the direction of consolidating collectivist thinking.

Opposition Blocks Construction.

THE SOVIET UNION, which is celebrating its tenth anniversary is at the same time going through the honeymoon of its feverish construction. Workers and the more advanced peasantry are up to their eyes in important every-day work; elaboration of new forms of economy, habits and customs, establishment of new relations between the various parts of the state and the economic organism.

All this work is centered in innumerable collective bodies: Soviets, trade Unions, commissions, committees. Nowhere in the world does the collectivist system of work predominate to such an extent over individual collectivism as here in the Soviet Union.

Of course it frequently happens that collective organs impede individual initiative, but this is another question; important is the fact that all these collective beginnings are an education in themselves; they teach the masses a new ideology and a new way of looking at life.

Unimportant Person Deceit.

The masses are getting accustomed to the remark: "Nice defenders of our interests! Who has empowered them to speak for us?" We do not hold their views! If we are dissatisfied with anything we will fight it out in the Party itself."

This kind of mood and temper has nothing in common with "pressure of the apparatus."

Trotskists Not Credited by Workers.

The rank and file do not believe the opposition, they meet all its statements with derision.

Does the opposition really imagine that the masses have such a bad memory? Even if there be shortcomings in the Party in regard to the policy, are not prominent members

of the opposition responsible for them? It would seem that the policy of the Party and the construction of the Party apparatus have become worthless from the day when the group of opposition members disagreed with the Party.

"This is suspicious" say the workers, "they attack the apparatus and the policy of the Party but in reality it is a question of who should lead..." And the masses turn away in disgust.

Opposition Lacks Principle.

ANOTHER reason for the rank and file not believing the opposition is: that the rank and file have always a profound disgust for lack of principle.

First of all, the bloc of opponents of yesterday, utterly incomprehensible for people not versed in political intrigue. Then a still less comprehensible solemn promise in writing on the part of the Opposition to submit to the will of the Party, a Communist word of honor of a peculiar kind, broken almost the very next day.

The Jesuit rule: the end justifies the means, cannot be a rule for members of one and the same collective body. One cannot build up a collective body if there is no confidence in the work of its members, if one cannot rely on promises...

Trickery Not Liked.

Such acts tell the masses more eloquently than words: those who have broken their word to the collective body of which they are members are no longer with us...

The rank and file cannot forgive this game which is being played with the collective body, they cannot forgive these "round-about" ways. The rank and file who, by such labor and such efforts, is gradually overcoming the principles of petty-bourgeois individualism will never understand nor tolerate and forgive those who infringe the obligations which they have taken upon themselves in regard to the collective body.

The rank and file will have nothing to do with the disorganizing infringement of discipline and unity on the part of the Opposition. The rank and file does not believe in the Opposition and will never forgive its Jealousy and malice in intriguing with the Party.

The rank and file disassociates itself indignantly from the criticism and the statements of the Opposition—they are not in harmony with the moods predominating in the rank and file of the Party.

Misjudging Temper of Masses.

If the Opposition has no ear for the moods and temper of the rank and file (it was Lenin's strong point that he always could feel what the masses are demanding and aiming at) how can it be victorious?

One cannot with impunity endeavor to set one's "group will" against the will of the collective body. Those who endeavor to do this, cease to be "one" with the masses.

The rank and file think that the live spirit of "collectivist democracy" which clashes with the petty-bourgeois interpretation of democracy, will not be awake in the Opposition until it is willing to understand that the decision of the Plenum of the Central Committee is the reflection of the will of the rank and file of the Party.

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STEEL MERGER UNITES FOES OF MINERS' UNION

By ART SHIELDS.
Federated Press.

Merger of two open shop steel companies, announced in the financial district today, will mean a still more vigorous fight against the United Mine Workers of America. The Republic Iron and Steel Co., which recently evicted a thousand men, women and children from its coal mining village at Russellton, Pa., near Pittsburgh, has taken over the Trumbull Steel Co. Further mergers of independent steel companies into the same combine are expected.

Scab coal from non union Pennsylvania mines, southern West Virginia and Kentucky, are brought into the war against the union. Through interlocking directorates the Trumbull company is closely linked with the Cleveland Cliffs Iron Co., that ships coal from mines in six sevens in the three states. The Republic was already closely allied with the Inland Steel Co., which is fighting the miners' union near Pittsburgh.

Fight Unions.

At the Pittsburgh conference of the American Federation of Labor the various international unions were asked to send organizers to Pennsylvania to help the United Mine Workers organize the unorganized. They will have their work cut right out for them in this new group of open shop mines.

For years the Republic has been playing fast and loose with the United Mine Workers. While it was dealing with the union at the Russellton pits till April 1, this year, it was running its two mines in the coke fields in Fayette county under the scab system. Ms Alabama mines were also scabbed. Since the present strike began its Russellton mines have been shut tight and no attempt as yet has been made to operate, though the company evicted the workers and their families.

Big Merger.

The steel merger is described as a \$200,000,000 affair in financial organs, though the combined assets fall short of that sum. The Republic's assets are

listed at \$137,000,000 and the Trumbull company at about \$50,000,000. Trumbull produces steel at Warren, Ohio, and the Republic has mills in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and Alabama.

Cyrus S. Eaton, chairman of the board of directors of the Trumbull Co., is one of the links between four steel concerns. He was heavily interested in Republic before the merger and had large holdings also in Inland Steel and Otis Steel companies. It is considered likely that the two latter concerns may be brought into the merger by spring, bringing the total assets of the combine to some \$300,000,000.

Open Shop.

The Cleveland Cliffs Iron Co., whose mines will play such an important part in the open shop plans of the steel combine, is linked with the group through W. G. Mather, president of the Cleveland enterprise, and chairman of Otis Steel and a heavy stockholder in the Trumbull company. By the exchange of stock plan under the Republic-Trumbull merger is formed, Mather becomes a big holder of the new company.

Coal miners in western Pennsylvania have long known the name of Mather unfavorably. The Cleveland Cliffs Iron Co., has a large scab town of that name in Greene county, the union region wedged into the southwestern corner of Pennsylvania, between northern West Virginia and the panhandle strip. The 600 miners at Mather are watched by spies and guards and visitors are investigated.

Fair weight to the tonnage miner is unknown. This company's West Virginia mines are in Logan, Fayette, Raleigh and Kanawha counties, and it has other properties at Hazard, Perry county, Kentucky.

RHINE WATER POWER.

PARIS, Nov. 28.—The development of the water power resources of the Rhine will be undertaken by a French company, called the Energie du Rhin with headquarters at Strasbourg.

ORGANIZED LABOR—TRADE UNION ACTIVITIES

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Window Cleaners On Strike Eight Weeks; 75 Pickets Attacked

The window cleaners' strike is now in its eighth week with all the modern forces of strike-breaking pitted against the workers, according to officials of the Window Cleaners' Protective Union. They report that more than 75 slippings and assaults on pickets have taken place since the beginning of the strike and that thousands of dollars have been spent for bail fees due to arrests of pickets and strikers on fastened-up charges, which in nearly all cases have been dismissed.

There have been some settlements with individual employers and those men who are at work have volunteered to pay \$10 a week out of their wages for the support of the strike. This amounts to nearly \$1,000 a week. Donations from sympathetic labor unions also help to support the striking workers and their families. Recent donations have been received from Workmen's Circle branches 112, 443, 154, 196, 625 and 813; Bakers' Union, Local 3; Union of Technical Men, Local 37; Waterproof Garment Workers' Union, Local 20; Associated Musicians of Greater New York and many others.

A benefit performance of "The Centuries" by Em Jo Basche at the New Playwrights' Theatre is being given for the striking window cleaners next Friday. Union officials have issued a call urging all sympathizers who plan to see this play to do so on the benefit night.

Police Connect Noyer Slaying With Profits of Right Wing Gangs

The killing of Jacob A. Noyer, garment manufacturer and alleged paymaster for gunmen and gangsters for the right wing in the needle trades, is being linked by detectives with the slaying five weeks ago of "Little Augie," alleged recruiter of anti-left wing gangsters for Morris Sigmund, president of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union. Noyer was shot and killed on the sidewalk on Broadway near East 11th St. Saturday evening.

Friends of "Little Augie" are believed to "know something" about the slaying of Noyer and the slaying on the same night of Michael Weinman, or Weiner.

Noyer was formerly business agent of Local 4 of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America. After Noyer became an employee in the garment industry the Amalgamated administration is said by rank and file workers to have permitted him to violate union regulations.

NEW YORK COST DOUBLES. WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—Cost of "running" New York City has doubled since 1917, the Commerce Department revealed today.

Maintenance and operation of general departments was \$52,98 per person in 1926, while in 1917 it was \$20,64 the report showed.

In total figures, New York spent \$313,829,106 to keep its huge municipal machine functioning last year for a population of 5,924,000.

Fight the Injunction Menace

The coal barons of Pennsylvania and Ohio, the traction kings of New York, the coal magnates of Colorado and the rest of the big employers are out to destroy root and branch the labor organizations which we have built thru many years of painful struggle. The owners of industry are out to smash the genuine trade unions and put in their place the fake bosses unions and counterfeit company unions.

They hope to accomplish this by injunctions that are being issued wholesale by capitalist judges in every state and city where the workers dare fight even for their most elementary rights. Deadly blows are now being struck against every working man and workinglass family thru the whole country by the capitalist dictatorship and the employing class tyranny operating most brazenly as "Government by Injunction."

Mobilize Masses. The working masses must be aroused to struggle against this injunction menace. Everywhere masses must be mobilized to fight the injunction, to violate the injunction, and for this fight.

WORKERS (COMMUNIST) PARTY, 43 East 125th Street, New York City. Enclosed you will find \$..... as my contribution to the SMASH THE INJUNCTION FUND to help distribute a million leaflets, "DOWN WITH GOVERNMENT BY INJUNCTION."

Name Address

City

20,000 Coal Miners Ask "Where Do You Stand?" in Support of Their Struggle Against Starvation

(Continued from Page One)
I all trades, as well as the unorganized workers, to a realization of the danger of remaining passive.

Open Shop Drive.

Victory for the coal operators will mean open shop drives in other industries in which the workers are organized. Victory for the coal operators will mean additional momentum in the effort to lower wages generally, for the unorganized as well as the organized.

The circularization therefore asks: "Whose victory shall it be? Whose side are you on?" The coal miners are demanding to know where the workers stand, and if you stand with them, they have the right to help prove it.

All Workers Rally. The letter of appeal ends by saying: "All workers must get into ac-

tion. We want to gather millions of votes in support of the coal miners. Take the enclosed ballot sheet, — and get votes. Then ask every worker who votes to back it up by a contribution of a little money."

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All workers who have received ballots should assist in this campaign to gather votes and money and in this way bring the moral and financial support of all of labor back of the coal miners. Others desiring to help are asked to write for ballots to the Pennsylvania-Oregon Miners Relief Committee, 611 Penn Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.

North African Flood Takes 300 Lives London Hears; 250,000 Homeless; Property Damage Big

LONDON, Nov. 28.—Three hundred persons have lost their lives and 250,000 are homeless in devastating floods which swept North Africa over the weekend, according to an Exchange Telegraph Dispatch from Algiers.

Property damage estimated at 10,000,000 francs has been done in the regions around Mostaganem and Pergaux, which were hardest hit by the catastrophe.

All rivers in the devastated regions have overflowed their banks, sweeping away bridges, destroying in time.

railroad lines, obliterating smaller houses and causing the collapse of larger structures by washing out foundations.

The Pergaux Dam, 500 yards long, 30 yards high and 40 yards thick at its base, gave way under the tremendous pressure of torrential rains and a huge wall of water plunged through the valley wiping out towns and villages. The apparent weakening of the dam before the break caused warning to be sent broadcast in advance, but many persons could not be reached in time.

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Chicago Labor Notes

CHICAGO, (FP) Nov. 28.—Wage negotiations of the Chicago Street Car Men's union with the surface line companies are being held up by difficulty in selecting neutral arbiters in their wage case. The union asks for an increase of 15 cents an hour, to raise their scale to 90 cents. The union and the companies agreed to arbitrate. Union officials are dubious about an immediate selection of arbiters. Working conditions are not involved in the negotiations. Chicago street car men now have the 8-hour day.

Honor Murdered Miners. While the workers' funeral hymn was played softly, 700 Chicago workers, representing every kind of labor group, stood erect in honor of the 5 striking coal miners who died at the Columbine mine massacre in Colorado last week. The services were held at Wicker Park hall, Nov. 25, at a mass meeting called by the Chicago Committee for Relief & Defense of Striking Colorado Miners. When the last note of the workers' dirge died away, speakers took the platform and pledged aid of their organizations to the strikers and urged all Chicago workers to contribute money and clothing.

Lucy Parsons, widow of the Chicago Haymarket martyr, read a letter from a wife of a striker at the Columbine mine in which the women said they did not have money enough to buy milk for their babies. The letter, written 3 weeks ago, told how the company gunmen and police attempted to stir up trouble. "We're not going to let them do it," the woman wrote.

William Henry, national executive secretary of the Socialist party, pledged support of the party to the strikers. He praised the I. W. W. leadership in Colorado and recalled campaigns of Debs in that state. Arne Swabek, Workers Party representative, pledged support of that group to the strike. John A. Gahan,

the W. W. official, told of the killings at Columbine, drawing a parallel with the Ludlow massacre. "There is no participation in this strike," he said. "All workers should help the Colorado miners get justice." Ida Winsberg was chairman and appealed for funds.

5 DAY WEEK.

The 5-day work week may soon become general in the Chicago building trades. Several building trades unions are now negotiating with employers for a 5-day work agreement, it is understood. None of the building trades unions now have this con-

diction yet.

Nurses' Unions.

Chicago now has 2 nurses' unions that are affiliated with the American Federation of Labor. The Tuberculosis Public Health Nurses' union received a charter this month from the American Federation of Labor. Miss Frances Dunn is president and Mrs. Victoria Daniels, secretary. Another nurses' union here is Public Health Nurses, No. 16762, affiliated with the Chicago Federation of Labor.

Chicago is well organized from a

include besides the two nurses' unions that are affiliated with the two nurses' unions: Sanitary Inspectors, Scientific Laboratory Workers, Health Officers, Food Inspectors, and City Health Diagnosticians.

Telephone Workers' Union.

Telephone operators at the Staunton, Ill., exchange have won recognition of their union through threat of a strike. When the company discharged the union president, Martha Leopold, all of the operators threatened a walkout unless she was reinstated. This was done and the company also signed a working agreement.

Bronx Police Prohibit Greco-Carrillo Defense Meeting in the Bronx

Bronx police prevented the holding of an open air meeting for the defense of Calogero Greco and Donato Carrillo, anti-fascists, who go on trial Dec. 5 charged with killing two fascists last Decoration Day.

The meeting was scheduled for Saturday evening at Prospect Ave. and 183d St. by the International Labor Defense. When Louis A. Baum, secretary of the Photographic Workers' Union in charge of the arrangements, telephoned to notify them of the meeting they said that it could not be held, according to Baum. No reason was given for the refusal.

"Next week we will arrange another meeting for the same corner," Baum said last night, "and will fight for our right to hold the meeting."

Another protest meeting will be held Wednesday evening at 138th St. and St. Ann's Ave.

FAMILY DESTITUTE AFTER WORKER IS KILLED



Mrs. Mary Kozan, made a widow when an automobile killed her husband. She is left without means of support with her children who are (left to right): Jennie, 11; Barney, 3; Sophie, 10; Gustave, six months (held by Mrs. Kozan); Walter, 5; Stanley, 9; Steven, 7.

POLICIES AND PROGRAMS STRIKES — INJUNCTIONS THE TRADE UNION PRESS LABOR AND IMPERIALISM

Labor Defense Will Hold Its Bazaar in Chicago, Dec. 9-11

CHICAGO, November 28, 1927.—The annual bazaar in December conducted by the International Labor Defense. Local Chicago occurs this year at a time when the International Labor Defense has many heavy obligations. There are the arrested Cloakmakers of Chicago, the frameup of the Cheswick, Pa. miners, the Greco-Carrillo case which goes on trial December 5th and of great importance the striking Colorado miners. There is further the Christmas fund for the seventy class-war prisoners and their families. The International Labor Defense proposes to send additional money-gifts to these prisoners and their families at Christmas.

Stuart Cramer, a devout Christian

who regards his mill as second only to his two churches in aiding godliness, is the sole owner and proprietor of everything in the village except the bodies of his workers.

And because Cramer is an un-

incorporated village, despite its population of 3,000, he practically owns his workers through his undisputed mills and homes.

Free Flowers, But Don't Dance!

Cramerton is a pretty village, nestled along the banks of the Catawba. Cramer distributes free flower seed, so that workers can relieve the monotony of their brown-painted cottages.

Cramer owns the mills, the houses,

FACING A NEW TRIAL



Francesco Caruso killed Dr. Casper Pendola when his 6-year-old son died while under the physician's care. Convicted of murder, Caruso has just been granted a new trial. Testimony showed the doctor laughed in his face. The accompanying photograph shows Mrs. Caruso at home with her remaining children (left to right), Anna, 4; Salvatore, 3; and Josephine, 7.

MODEL MILL VILLAGE MONOTONOUS—WORKERS MOVE

LABOR HERE WILL FIGHT I. R. T. ON INJUNCTION MOVE

IRT Working Conditions Described

By HARVEY O'CONNOR, CRAMERTON, N. C., (FP) Nov. 28.—All over Carolina apologists for the mill owners ignore the skeps of the social workers the deputy sheriffs and the preachers. Being a pious man, he does not approve of movies and dancing, so his workers have to go to Charlotte for amusement.

Workers' Move Out of Cramer's "Heaven."

Do the workers like Cramer's brand of paternalism? Not if labor turnover is any indication. For mill workers keep moving in and out of Cramerton as fast as they do in other mill towns. In fact Cramer makes a virtue out of apparent necessity when he defends the high moving rate. Cotton mill workers tend to become dead on the job if they stay too long, he explains. A move every once in a while relieves the monotony.

School Kids Don't Stay Long. High labor mobility is reflected in school figures. Although 220 pupils are enrolled in first grade, there are only 104 in 4th and 51 in 6th. The 8th grade boasts of only 19 pupils and all the high school grades have a total of 15 students.

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President Coolidge Pleases the Coal Barons

Coolidge has refused to do anything that would tend to help the striking coal miners and figuratively speaking has spit in the faces of John L. Lewis and officials of the American Federation of Labor who appealed to him.

The coal barons make no effort to hide their glee. A dispatch from Pittsburgh to the New York Times, dated Nov. 27, says:

"...the operators, jubilant, declared they had anticipated such a decision and also that peace, consequently, was NOT in sight." (Our emphasis.)

The coal barons interpret the position of Coolidge correctly. He has said to them that they can proceed with their war on the union by any and all means, that any interference will be for the benefit of the coal barons.

Crowding closely on the wires the dispatch quoted above comes another stating that a damage suit for \$1,000,000 is to be filed by the coal companies of western Pennsylvania against the United Mine Workers of America. The coal barons demand that the union pay the costs of the campaign of terror staged by the coal and iron police against the miners and their families. Preparations for the damage suit began immediately after the state supreme court legalized evictions.

According to union officials, evictions are taking place faster than the union can build barracks to house the victims. Winter is here and food, clothing, shoes and money are needed.

Misery stalks in the mining camps of Pennsylvania and Ohio.

What are we to say of union officials who met in an emergency conference in Pittsburgh on Nov. 14 and adopted a policy whose main point was an appeal to President Coolidge?

Did they believe that Coolidge, the errand boy of Andrew Mellon, the multi-millionaire who dominates the state of Pennsylvania in much the same way that Rockefeller dominates Colorado, would do anything to help the miners?

If they believed this they are fools who should not be trusted with the fate of the labor movement.

If they knew that Coolidge would do nothing but aid the coal barons, they committed a crime against the striking miners and their families, and against the labor movement, by creating hope which would be shattered and by strengthening faith in a Wall Street tool which is demoralizing.

Coolidge and the courts are even against charity for the strikers. Coolidge, like the coal barons, wants starvation to do its work and Pennsylvania courts have said that relief of any sort for the strikers is illegal.

Coolidge, the federal and state courts with their injunctions, the coal and iron police with their guns and blackjacks, the coal barons with their allies in Wall Street are tightening the noose about the necks of the United Mine Workers and its members and their families.

With coldblooded calculation the coal barons watch winter take its toll, they weigh with watchful eyes every ounce of food that goes into the sums in the relief funds, they send their cossacks out to harass the hungry miners.

The governor of Pennsylvania is a stockholder in coal companies and an attorney for coal companies. He is the head and front of the drive against the union in Pennsylvania just as Coolidge is its head nationally.

If the official leadership of the labor movement is not convinced by this time that the government in all its branches is carrying out the program of the coal barons, then it is too incompetent and ignorant to guide the struggle.

If it knows that the government is the instrument of the coal barons and the rest of the capitalist class, then labor officialdom is aiding the war on the miners' union and the rest of the labor movement by discouraging mass violations of injunctions, failing to organize such a movement by advocacy of the support of candidates on the tickets of the capitalist parties and by continuing its fight on the militant section of the union membership.

Rank and file miners who demanded a militant policy were thrown out of the Pittsburgh conference. The labor officials wanted to be respectable at Pittsburgh. They were going to see the President, don't you see?

They have seen the president. The president has spoken. Even John L. Lewis, a member of the republican national committee who supported Coolidge in the last election, could get no comfort from his liege lord.

Official labor leaders have the same choice to make they have always had—they can fight or surrender. But past experience teaches that any fighting that will be done will be carried on by the militant workers whom officialdom has been trying to drive out of the labor movement.

The drive for miners' relief must go forward. Mass violation of injunctions must be organized, organization campaigns in the non-union fields must be started and a labor party established for the 1928 elections.

The whole labor movement must be organized for the struggle against injunctions. The attack on the United Mine Workers is only the beginning of a drive against the organizations and living standards of the American working class in which the government plays its historical role of instrument of the capitalist class.

It may only be a coincidence but politicians in the borough of Queens went to the sewers for their graft. A borough official testified that Queens was paying for sewer pipe, one, two, three and even four times as much as other boroughs. We always had a suspicion that capitalist politics was a smelly business.

Now that they have captured the city of Reading, Pennsylvania, the socialists have come out man-fashion and confessed that they are not socialists at all but capitalist officials. This confession should lift a heavy load off the chests of the few remaining capitalists who still believe that the leaders of the socialist party are seriously opposed to the capitalist system.

"YOU CAN'T VOTE, YER TOO IGNORANT"

By Jacob Burck



As our artist pictures the disfranchisement of the Negro voters in the southern states.

The False Teeth

A Story of the I. W. W.

Second Installment.

Ricing, pausing, lighting cigarette under his nose, McFee wandered among the group, hearing them talking international affairs?

—Should the I. W. W. affiliate with the Red Trade Union International?

Straus said: "The Red Trade Union International, I tell you, is nothing but the industrial section of the Communist International and the Russian Communist Party."

"Sure; they want to liquidate the I. W. W.," Talifero said.

"Cut out the international stuff," McFee said. "You're in America. John Wobbly is in jail and we're here to get him out. That's our job. Who's going to be chairman tonight?"

"Bjornson?"

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"Yes."

McFee was standing smiling, lips parting amiably, eyes hardening. Holding this expression, he looked longest at Bjornson. Sitting down McFee said: "Did all you fellow workers notice the new teeth? I think Fellow Worker Bjornson must have struck pay-dirt."

"That's why we made him chairman—on account of those teeth," Edmond said. "They certainly do improve a man's looks all right."

"Yes sir," McFee said, "he must have connected somewhere."

Edmond remarked that tooth ache was painful, important, making men sick, angry, discouraged. Poison, he said, should not be allowed to drain, teeth to bowels. Meat must be chewed to stay healthy.

"In primitive times men died or were killed off in the struggle for existence when bones and body tissues stopped developing," he said. "Tooth ache in those days indicated fatal physical senility. The human race has got hospitals and clinics and furnaces and roofs now. We've got dentists too. Men can live easier after middle age now, if they've got the where-with-all. But stiffs like us have a hell of a time getting tooth picks, let alone gold fillings and inlay and such modern improvements."

"I've seen the time when there wasn't anything to get caught in my teeth to pick out," Larson said.

"The stiff," Edmond said, "is just like that guy they dug up a while back. What is it they call him now? You know don't you McFee?—some kind of man. They found his bones. He was almost the missing link."

McFee asked: "—you mean Neanderthal Man?"

"—sure," Edmond said. "That's it—Fellow Worker Neanderthal. The stiff is just like Fellow Worker Neanderthal when it comes to dentists. There weren't any then and there might just as well not be any now as far as the stiff is concerned."

Tyler said: "Yes, and let me tell you something. I know a lot of stiffs that have got a lot more than that in common with this Neanderthal guy. You'll find more missing links on top a boy car than those pick and shovel explorers will ever dig up."

Conscious of his own excellent set of false teeth, Bjornson thought he'd need an under-current of sarcasm, insinuation, in the room. He asked

somewhat challengingly: "What's all this conversation about anyhow?"

"It's about teeth, fellow worker," Talifero said. "I don't know what it's all about aside from that though."

Bjornson's face reddened. Frowning he asked: "Say, for Jesus Christ's sake! Can't a fellow get a new set of teeth without being kidded about it?"

"They certainly are beautiful teeth,"—McFee smiling, looking at Bjornson. "I can't think of any reason for getting all dolled up like that for an I. W. W. meeting though. And looking at the other side of the question,—just how would an I. W. W. secretary get them anyhow, considering his salary? How about it, fellow worker?"

"What are you getting at?" Bjornson rising, his arms stiffening as his sides, hands clutching.

"I'm getting at this: Bjornson is not going to be chairman tonight."

"What do you mean I'm not going to be chairman?"

"Where did you get the teeth?"

McFee leaning forward smiling again in the same baffling, contradictory way that was like a threat.

"It's none of your god damned business where I got these teeth."

"Tell us where you got them or I'll tell you where you got them in a way you won't like."

"You will? What do you mean you'll tell?"

"Never mind. What are you going to do?"

Silently the two faced each other momentarily. Then Bjornson said: "Why, Miss Atwood paid for them; if that's what you're driving at. What of it?"

"Where does she get her money? Where does the money come from?"—McFee leaning forward smiling again, index finger tapping the palm of his hand.

"She happened to tell me. She wanted to buy me some new teeth too."

"Everyone laughed loud."

"Man!" Strauss said. "Did you see the look on his face? Miss Atwood is all right though Jim. Of course your position is well taken and correct but she really is straight with the organization."

McFee's laugh was wheezing again in gusts through his bared teeth.

McFee was going, rolling a cigarette smoking on the way.

"—see you before long again," he said.

"So-long Jimmie."

"If you see Bjornson, Jimmie, tell him to bring back the keys."

"Don't let him bite you with those false teeth, Jimmie."

"If you see Miss Atwood, or whatever her name is," McFee said, turning around in the doorway, "tell her to help us put some teeth in the General Defense Committee."

"Christ!" Bjornson said, getting up. And then: "Christ!" again.

"This is dirty, god damned dirty. I'm through. Good bye!"

Snatching his cap from a hook on the wall, looking fiercely around the room, he strode out the door.

By STIRLING BOWEN

The men in the room listened to the pounding of his footsteps on the stairs. They heard the door at the bottom of the stairs open. They heard it close again and knew Bjornson had gone into the street. They sensed too that he would not be back that night, perhaps not even the next day.

Straus began laughing. The others joined, McFee laughing also, hoarseness wheezing, ringing in his chest. "Well, let's get this settled," McFee said. "It's getting late. Why not make Edmond chairman?"

"What's the matter with you being chairman yourself?" Edmond asked McFee.

"I've got to see a certain character in Cleveland. I understand he's going to move in there tomorrow. I've got to get out tonight."

"I'd just as soon," Edmond said.

"All right, you're chairman,"—Talifero going to the door, looking downstairs a minute, coming back into the room.

"Haywood ought to be here any minute now," McFee said.

Torrey wanted to know if Bjornson would be at the meeting.

Talifero said: "Jesus he was mad. No, he won't show up at all. He's got the keys to the hall here too. Somebody will have to sleep here tonight. He won't be back."

Straus would stay all night in the hall. He had his overcoat. Another coat was hanging in the closet. Tyler would stay too.

Straus asked McFee: "What's your slant on Bjornson anyhow Jimmie?"

McFee began laughing again, hoarseness wheezing, through his teeth.

"Seriously, what's your slant?"

"He's dangerous," McFee said. "He'll learn."

Edmond said: "Sure he's all right. But he's young, as you say."

"He'll be all right," Talifero said.

"He's fearless too. He'll be a good man someday. But say, how did you learn about the teeth, Jimmie?"

"She happened to tell me. She wanted to buy me some new teeth too."

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Red Rays

THERE is considerable food for amusement for the trained newspaper reader in the dispatches from London, Paris and Warsaw, which seek to belittle the importance of the Soviet notes to Warsaw and Kovno on the danger to the peace of Europe that would result from a war between the two countries. It is quite evident from the space given to the incident that the interference of Moscow on the side of peace in the long-drawn-out dispute between Lithuania and Poland, is regarded very seriously by the imperialist powers and is the overshadowing political question on the continent of Europe today.

POLAND backed by France is waiting for a favorable opportunity to grab off Lithuania, having already taken Vilna with the sanction of the League of Nations. The Soviet Union warned Poland that such a step could not be ignored by it and behind the polite tones of the note, one could feel the potential stock of the Red Army.

THE imperialist bandits who will meet at Geneva in a few days to stage a fake disarmament conference will not have things as much their own way as they would have if there were no Soviet delegates present. The allies, thru the peace of Versailles, stripped Germany to the skin as a military power, which makes it possible for the Soviet Union and Germany to arrive at a common policy in Geneva, the their ultimate aims are as far apart as the poles.

IT will be interesting to hear the indignant cries of the British and French